



Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council

December 9, 2016

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Hon. Michael Flaherty
Hon. Annissa Essaibi George
Hon. Ayanna Pressley
Boston City Council
City Hall, 5th Floor
One City Hall Square
Boston, Massachusetts 02201

Re: Plastic Bag Ban Ordinance

Dear Councilors Flaherty, Essaibi George and Pressley:

The Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council wishes to express to you our support for the ordinance proposed by Councilors O'Malley and Wu regarding the reduction of plastic bags in Boston.

Non-recyclable and non-compostable contribute significantly to litter and impose a heavy burden on our recycling system.

We believe the proposed ordinance is well-designed to reduce the negative environmental impact of single-use plastic bags while at the same time providing consumers and businesses with options for use of recyclable bags and encouraging the use of reusable bags. The provision of hardship exemptions designed to assist local businesses as the ordinance is implemented also has our support.

We request that you and the other councilors vote in support of the proposed ordinance.

Very truly yours,

Jamaica Plain
Neighborhood Council

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin F. Moloney', is written over the typed name.

Kevin F. Moloney, Chair

cc: Hon. Michelle Wu
Hon. Matthew O'Malley